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Anti-Money Laundering Council exec: There's a strong case vs suspected Pasig shabu tiangge owner

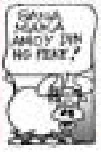
ACROSS / A17

GMA's party picks Bong Pineda's wife over Lapid as official bet for Pampanga gov

BUSINESS / B1

Gov't-First Pacific deal for PTIC shares bogged down last night. Earlier, the DOF said the deal was set to be signed today

'Money-sniffing dogs' to be deployed at Naia



By Nikko Dizon

DOGS THAT CAN SNIFF cash will be deployed at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (Naia) as part of the government campaign against money laundering.

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BAREFACED IN THE PALACE: What's ex-Batangas Gov. Antonio Leviste doing in the Palace keeping pace with President Arroyo? The confessed killer of his longtime confidant allegedly in self-defense is also Palestine's honorary consul in the Philippines. Palestine's nonresident ambassador to the Philippines, Abdalaziz Abdelrahman Aboughosh, presented his credentials to Ms Arroyo on Tuesday.

GMA to seek Europe help in probing slays

Melo panel told: Why stop with Palparan?

By Christine O. Avendaño and Dona Pazzibugan

DECLARING THAT SHE HAD "NO TOLERANCE FOR HUman rights violations," President Macapagal-Arroyo yesterday directed the Melo Commission to continue with its inquiry into the killing of leftist activists and said she would ask the European Union to assist in the commission's work.

The European Union has more than once expressed alarm over the unabated killing of leftist activists, and called on the Philippine government to put a stop to the murders.

The President issued a statement containing detailed instructions after meeting with retired Supreme Court Justice Jose Melo in Malacañang. But the instructions were not clear on how she intended to address the latter's recommendation that retired Maj. Gen. Jovito Palparan be held accountable for the killings on the basis of command responsibility.

According to Armed Forces Chief of Staff Gen. Hermogenes Esperon Jr., the military could no longer hold Palparan accountable for the extrajudicial killings because he had retired from the service.

GMA TO SEEK / A10

Int'l pressure imperative after Melo findings

By Norman Bordadora and Michael Lim Ubac

A RECIPIENT OF THE RAMON MAGSAYSAY Award for emerging leadership yesterday said the Philippine government should implement the recommendations of the Melo Commission to hold top generals responsible for the assassination of hundreds of leftist activists.

Dita Indah Sari, head of the National Front for the Indonesian Labor Struggle and 2001 RM Awardee, said that as in her country the Philippine government appeared averse to the idea of taking its military brass to account on the basis of command responsibility. She said international pressure was imperative at this point.

"We face a similar problem in Indonesia in terms of inquiries into human rights problems. We have a national commission on human rights. But the government didn't want to [take] steps to follow [it]," she told reporters.

INTERNATIONAL / A10



THE DAWNING of Tuesday in Baguio City keeps most residents lingering under the covers as the temperature takes a record plunge to 9.6 degrees Celsius (49.28 degrees Fahrenheit). The summer capital's coldest recorded temperature was in 1961 at 6.3 degrees Celsius (43.34 degrees F).

US offers ₱2.5M for capture of GenSan bomber

By Veh Contreras

THE UNITED STATES, WHICH HAS CONgratulated the Philippines on the recent elimination of two Abu Sayyaf leaders, is offering roughly P2.5 million as bounty for what Washington described as another "despicable terrorist."

The US Embassy yesterday announced that a $50,000 reward was available for information leading to the capture of Abdul Basit Usman, "a notorious terrorist responsible for a series of bomb attacks in Mindanao in recent months."

The mission said informants may contact the Anti-Terrorist Task Force by calling 117, (02) 928-9832, (02) 928-9778, or the embassy itself at (02) 528-6832/9833/9834, or by sending a text message to 0918-940-6412.

The identity of the informants will remain strictly confidential, it added.

US OFFERS / A11

Scientists warn millions to suffer water shortage, hunger as temperatures rise

SYDNEY—BILLIONS OF PEOPLE WILL suffer water shortages and the number of the hungry will grow by hundreds of millions by 2080 as global temperatures rise, scientists warned in a report leaked Tuesday.

The report estimated that between 1.1 billion and 3.2 billion people would suffer from water scarcity problems by 2080 and between 200 million and 600 million more would go hungry.

The assessment was contained in a draft of a major international report by the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to be released later this year, Australia's The Age newspaper said.

Scientists also warned that sea levels could flood seven million more homes, while Australia's famed Great Barrier Reef, treasured as the world's largest living organism, could be dead within decades, the newspaper said.

The Age said it had obtained a copy of the report, believed to be one of three prepared for release by the IPCC, which is highly regarded for its neutrality and caution.

Some 500 experts are meeting in Paris this week ahead of Friday's release of the IPCC's first report since 2001 on the state of scientific knowledge on global warming.

The report will be followed in April

SCIENTISTS / A11

Why Metro folk cold as Valentine's nears

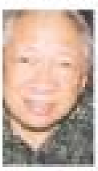
By Norman Bordadora

JUST WHEN PEOPLE THOUGHT THE cold spell associated with the Christmas holidays would soon dissipate as Valentine's Day draws near, the country's weather bureau registered the coldest temperatures of the monsoon season.

The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (Pagasa) recorded yesterday morning the coldest temperature since October last year—0.6 de-

WHY METRO / A11

Pianist says studies indicate classical music is brain food



REYNALDO REYES—Nourishing brains, she said.

By Fernando del Mundo

IT'S BEEN 68 YEARS SINCE A cock's crow led a poor boy to the world's greatest concert halls playing Mozart on the piano and the discovery that classical music is not only good for the soul but also nourishment for the brain.

Now, Reynaldo Reyes is bringing to the Philippines' rural folk both the music of the masters and the message that classical melodies revive damaged brains, stimulate the intellect and impel it to function at its highest level.

Since 2001, Reyes has been flying to Manila at least twice a year at his own expense from his home in Baltimore, Maryland, to give free concerts in schools, gymnasiums, malls and plazas and to discuss the virtues of classical music education.

"I found out in most cases during the open forums that Filipinos didn't think of music as an instrument for self-improvement. They only think of it as something nice, or something that they like, otherwise they don't listen to it," Reyes says.

"But if you know it's important,

PIANIST / A6



THE COLOR OF ROCES: This early, FPJ's widow is showing her political preference for the likes of Rep. Chiz Escudero shown here with his wife Christine.

Escudero files candidacy to stop intrigues

By Jerome Aning

SAYING THE OPPOSITION FORCES should be united and with his most powerful backer, actress Susan Roces, by his side, House Minority Leader Francis "Chiz" Escudero yesterday became the first antiadministration stalwart to file his candidacy for the Senate.

By formalizing his senatorial bid under the fragmented Nationalist People's Coalition, the 37-year-old Sorsogon lawmaker put to rest all rumors that Malacañang was courting him to join its so-called "Team Unity" slate.

"The intrigues are too much. Sep-

ESCUDERO / A6

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WEATHER FORECAST

Senators wary of poll summit



PLEA BARGAIN

By TJ Burgonio

PRESIDENT MACAPAGAL-ARroyo's proposal to call an election summit to ensure clean and orderly polls in May has been met with skepticism in the Senate.

No automation, no summit

"Hello Garci" scandal

'Jueteng' buys votes, Bishop Cruz warns

By Christian V. Esguerra

Comelec lifts ban on surveys

By Jerome Aning

JoeCon: No to automation

By Edson C. Tandoc Jr.

STALLED BY RAPE CASE

War games scaled down

By Dona Pazzibugan

'Brand new day' for RP

By Christine O. Avendaño

3 solons go 'fishing' in Germany



FACT FINDING OR FISHING expedition.

'Toothless tiger'

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Pimentel pooh-poohs BOC feat

Querubin, alleged coup plotter, sick with malaria

By Dona Pazzibugan



QUERUBIN

MARINE COL. ARIEL Querubin, one of the alleged principal instigators of a coup attempt last February, was brought to a military hospital in Quezon yesterday after he was confirmed to have malaria.

Philippine Navy officials relented and allowed the transfer of Querubin to the Armed Forces of the Philippines Medical Center (former V. Luna Hospital) from his detention cell in Fort San Felipe in Cavite City to get treatment, a Navy spokesperson said.

Querubin was accompanied by three security escorts, a military nurse and a paramedic when he was moved out of his detention cell at around 7:30 a.m. yesterday, according to Cmdr. Giovanni Carlo Bacordo.

Since December, Querubin's wife Maria Flor has asked Navy Flag Officer in Command Vice Admiral Rogelio Calunsag to allow the hospitalized officer to return to his original detention cell in Fort Bonifacio so he could be treated at the AFP Medical Center.

In her letter to Calunsag, Mrs. Querubin said her husband's life was "in danger" since the malaria strain that struck him "can attack the brain and cause cerebral malaria or death."

Querubin has been in and out of the Cavite Naval Hospital (CNH) since December due to high blood pressure and chills, but later he was diagnosed with malaria for which he was treated several years ago.

In danger

"His life may be in danger considering that the CNH does not have complete and specialized diagnostic capability. It is also very far from V. Luna Medical Center which can provide the necessary medical services," Mrs. Querubin said.

"Even prisoners have the right to seek medical help," she added.

Querubin is among the handful of living recipients of the Medal of Valor, the military's highest award for exceptional bravery in combat.

Another Medal of Valor awardee, Marine Lt. Col. Custodio Parcon, is also detained for alleged mutiny.

Bacordo, however, pointed out that Calunsag only granted Mrs. Querubin's request for her husband to be treated at the AFP Medical Center.

Querubin will be returned to Fort San Felipe as soon as doctors recommend that he has recovered, according to Bacordo.

"Requests for treatment at the AFP Medical Center will be granted as long as the custodians are properly notified. But there is no need to transfer his detention [back to Fort Bonifacio]," he said.

Seriously ill

Querubin is the second officer implicated in the Feb. 24, 2006 alleged coup [illegible] to have fallen seriously ill while in detention.

Marine Col. Armando Garingal was also rushed to the AFP Medical Center from Fort San Felipe [illegible] due to hepatitis.

Garingal remains confined at the Manila Naval Hospital and is recuperating, according to the Navy.

Querubin, Garingal, Parcon and five other senior Marine officers were transferred to Fort San Felipe from Fort Bonifacio last October after the military claimed to have uncovered an alleged plan to spring them from detention.

Former Marine commandant Maj. Gen. Renato Miranda, however, remained in Fort Bonifacio reportedly in recognition of his stature.

A total of 28 Marine and Army Scout Rangers officers led by Miranda, Querubin and former Scout Ranger commander Brig. Gen. Danilo Lim are charged with mutiny before a court martial for allegedly planning to withdraw support from President Macapagal-Arroyo last Feb. 24, 2006.

Palace sure allies will back unity ticket

MALACAÑANG—IT COMES [illegible] most of its allies will stand by President Macapagal-Arroyo when the administration comes out with its unity ticket, which could include plural opposition figures.

Some of Ms Arroyo's allies have protested the possible inclusion of oppositionists in the administration coalition called Team Unity.

"We might not be able to satisfy members of the party but I believe that most of the party members would subscribe or follow the objectives of the President," Press Secretary Ignacio Bunye said.

He said that as in any democratic organization, one should not expect there would be 100 percent agreement on issues. *Christine O. Avendaño*

Escudero files candidacy to stop ...

From page A1

[illegible] I am being courted by the administration. We want to put a stop to it and erase all doubt and make our intentions clear," Escudero told reporters after hearing the 7:30 a.m. Mass at the Manila Cathedral.

Walking to the nearby Commission on Elections headquarters, the congressman, his wife Christine Elizabeth, and Recto were mobbed by [illegible] and employees.

Escudero said the United Opposition (UNO), of which he is the secretary general, was expected to release possibly within the week its 12-member senatorial ticket.

"I am confident that UNO will be able to come up with a very strong slate," he said.

"Even with the alleged exodus from our group, we like to show that not everyone is leaving ... I am among the opposition's diehard," he said. "I am with the opposition and I will remain with it ... [illegible]to the opposition."



VOTERS FOR TRUTHFUL POLLS: Sen. Richard Gordon (2nd, right) joins with the convenor and members of the coalition for [illegible] [illegible] during a press conference at the Club Filipino [illegible]. Others are (front row, from left) [illegible] Secretary Corazon Alma de Leon, Louis [illegible], convenor; Mario de los Reyes, president, National Union of Students; Federico Agcaoili, ex-president of the Philippine Bar Association [illegible], and [illegible] party-list Rep. [illegible].

Escudero said divisions occurred in any organization, downplaying reports that internal feuds were rending opposition ranks in the face of administration efforts to pirate some of their members.

But he also said: "It would be very ideal for UNO to be unified."

They 'courted' Susan

"They sound me into coming here with them [illegible] and [illegible]," said Recto, explaining her presence at Escudero's filing.

Asked if she would support other opposition candidates, Recto said [illegible] widow of late actor and presidential candidate Fernando Poe Jr. said: "Let's take it one at a time. I choose my candidates."

She also said: "There's still no official list, so it's premature to say who I'm going to support ... If they were supporters of my husband [illegible] the May 2004 polls, of course, I will support them."

A jab at GMA

"I'm always supportive of the majority of the members of the opposition, especially those who were with me in my fight for the truth," she added, referring to accusations that President Macapagal-Arroyo cheated Poe of victory in the 2004 elections.

Recto reiterated she had no plans to run for senator, saying, "It's not my line."

On the departure from UNO of former Senators Vicente "Tito" Sotto III and [illegible], she said: "They're my friends. It's my hope that our friendship will be maintained regardless of whatever political moves they make."

Escudero, who led two failed opposition attempts to impeach Ms Arroyo for alleged poll cheating, was the 17th person to file his senatorial candidacy.

The deadline of the filing for candidacy certificates is on Feb. 12.

If elected, Escudero said he would push for legislation on livelihood, decent housing, free college education, and health care for everybody.

"I'm very happy with his decision to seek his chance here will be [illegible]," said his wife, who wore a yellow shirt printed with the word "Chiz" and her husband's image.

"My knowledge of politics is [illegible]," she said.

Loren: 'I'm sole and priceless'

Escudero is the son of former agriculture secretary and long-time congressman Salvador Escudero. He was elected to Congress in 1998.

Another opposition stalwart, former Sen. Loren Legarda, continued to keep her political cards close to her chest.

She told the Inquirer yesterday that she had not authorized anyone with political groups on her possible inclusion in their senatorial tickets.

"I come sole and priceless," Legarda said. "They can't speak for me. I can only speak for myself. I'm not yet a declared candidate."

No package deal

She denied that she had an agreement with Sotto, Osmeña and former Sen. Juan [illegible] Gomez, all of the NPC, to join the administration slate as a group.

"There is no such thing as package deal. There's no such talk or agreement," she said.

Sen. Jinggoy Estrada, son of deposed President Joseph Estrada, said he was "101 percent sure" that Legarda would make good her promise to him to join the UNO slate once she decided to run.

Estrada said Legarda gave that assurance during her birthday party last week.

UNO spokesperson [illegible] said the coalition was still open to including Sen. Edgardo Angara, Sotto and other senators of [illegible].

"If he does [illegible] and he'll bring in the LDP (Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino), the coalition will be happy to welcome him," said Rodriguez.

Only two slots open

Angara has not figured in any of the "tentative lists" of senatorial candidates released by the UNO, but coalition insiders said he has not sought its endorsement, according to Rodriguez.

Rodriguez said the coalition would also welcome back Sotto and Osmeña, who had broken away and joined the NPC.

"They are free to go back to the selection process. They will be welcomed, they will be considered," he said.

The UNO-led coalition apparently would not be able to take in all the six members of the dreaded Wednesday Group. They include Sen. Francis Pangilinan, Representatives Benigno Aquino III, [illegible] Tañada III and [illegible], and former Rep. [illegible].

If at all, only Pangilinan and Aquino would eventually be the nominees, said Rodriguez.

"I'm sure we will be able to accept two or three of the candidates," he said. *With reports from Cynthia D. Balana and TJ Burgonio*



CAMPAIGN AGAINST LOOSE FIREARMS: Chief Supt. [illegible], Central [illegible] police director, inspects one of the loose firearms [illegible] seized by police during the [illegible] campaign, which netted a total of [illegible] firearms and [illegible] persons arrested.

'Money-sniffing ...

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The "money-sniffing dogs" will augment the K-9 unit sniffing of bags at the Naia, according to an airport authority official.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) of the United States will demonstrate to airport and customs police how to handle money-sniffing dogs, said Angel Atutubo, the Manila International Airport Authority's assistant general manager for security and emergency services.

"The 10-day demonstration will have dog handlers going around the airport to show our police how to work with the dogs that can detect bulk cash in bags," Atutubo told the Inquirer in a phone interview yesterday afternoon.

The demonstration includes three trained dogs of the TSA.

The participants are from the Airport Police Department, the PNP Aviation Security Group, and the customs police.

Classroom instruction on anti-money laundering by the TSA began last week.

P1M per dog

The training aims to enhance the ability of law enforcers to spot bulk cash brought by passengers in and out of Naia.

Atutubo said the Manila International Airport Authority was in the process of procuring dogs for its anti-money laundering campaign.

Atutubo [illegible] cost at least P1 million. The airport authority has set a budget for the procurement of [illegible], according to Atutubo.

The airport authority's K-9 unit is trained only to detect bombs and explosives and drugs.



Bicam okays 10% salary hike for state workers

By TJ Burgonio

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Korean example

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Pop is all noise

Subtleties in sound

Mice, music, maze test

Autistic son now talks



STUDYING WITH THE MASTER

Pick insider for SC post, CA justices urge GMA

By Leila B. Salaverria

"PLEASE CHOOSE AN INSIDER."

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Maids, applicants protest new rules

By Jerome Aning

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Define command responsibility

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By Gobleth Moulic
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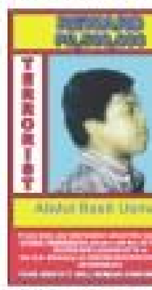
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GMA picks Bong Pineda wife over Lapid

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—PRESIDENT MACApagal Arroyo's party declared the wife of suspected jueteng lord Rodolfo "Bong" Pineda as its official candidate for governor of Pampanga, her home province, amid last-minute attempts by Sen. Manuel "Lito" Lapid to persuade the suspected jueteng lord to stop his wife from running.

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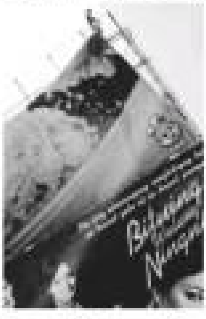
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Baguio studies using electronic ad boards

BAGUIO CITY—THE 21ST-CENTURY billboards here will soon be replaced by light-emitting diodes (LEDs), a marvel of the previous century, to placate old citizens and to submit to a new billboard policy imposed by the Department of Public Works and Highways.

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C. Luzon farmers told to try planting corn



SEEING GREEN

Plantations seen as a cause of Davao water woes

Undermanned Comelec taps casual employees



Cops drop rebellion case vs 8 in Davao

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Jeffrey Tupas, Inquirer Mindanao

INQUIRER Northern Luzon

Atok's hidden gems

By Delmar Cariño
Atok, Benguet

THE VEGETABLE terraces in the mountainsides and slopes of Atok, Benguet, are a thrill to see.

DAYTOY TI AMIANAN



WOMEN harvest a bounty in the rice fields of ... village in Atok, Benguet.

Potentials

'Yes, Tina, there's a Santa Claus and he's causing the cold morns in Baguio'

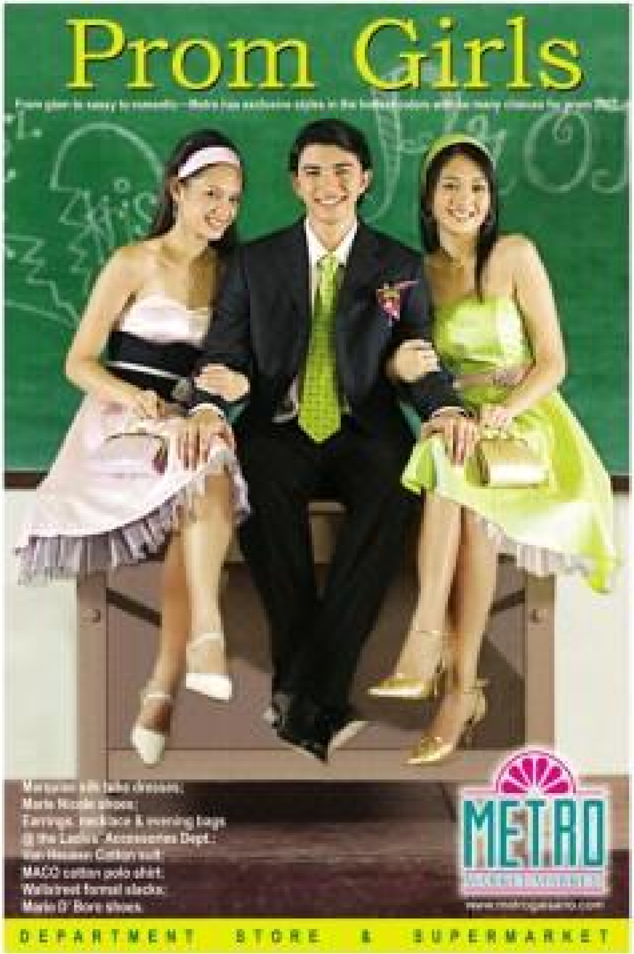
By Frank Cimatu
Baguio City

AMONG SAGADA people in Mt. Province, a house fire would be followed by cold weather.

IN MEMORIAM

Golden age

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Affection and compassion for Chin-Chin

By [illegible]
Baguio City

THE NIGHT IS SO BEAUTIFUL, isn't it? It is just so beautiful," said Jim Ward, whose eyes were glistening in the midst of a dance performed by Raymond "Ra-sec" Marcaido at Apuyang Bar and Restaurant in Baguio City on Saturday night.

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Fund-raising

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Poetry reading

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[illegible] Marcaido performs during a benefit concert for actress Chin-Chin Gutierrez.

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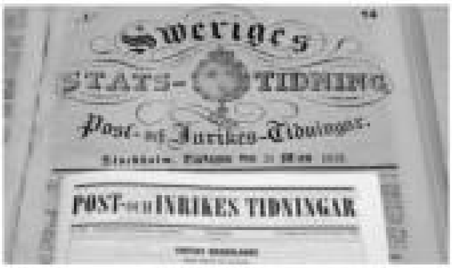
Pasay City's Peewee seeks reinstatement

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Man dies in train mishap

Cop shot dead in Quiapo

Tribute for Popoy



WORLD'S OLDEST NEWSPAPER GOES ONLINE. The March 31, 1835 issue is opened with the last printed one of the world's oldest newspaper, Sweden's Post och Inrikes Tidningar, founded in 1645 by Queen Christina, Jan. 1 in Stockholm. The paper has now entered the digital age by ending its run as a print publication and opting to be published exclusively on the Internet. AFP

North Korea nuclear talks to resume Feb. 8

BEIJING—SIX-PARTY TALKS aimed at persuading North Korea to scrap its nuclear weapons are to resume in Beijing on Feb. 8, China said on Tuesday.

Foreign Ministry spokesperson Jiang Yu said Beijing wanted fresh talks to develop practical, initial steps to implement a September 2005 joint statement that committed Pyongyang to dismantling its nuclear weapons in return for economic and security assistance.

"We hope that all sides will continue to display a positive attitude, strengthen dialogue, enhance trust and as early as possible fully implement the joint statement and realize the goal of denuclearizing the Korean peninsula," Jiang told reporters.

The talks group the two Koreas, the United States, Japan, Russia and host China. The last round in December, two months after Pyongyang rattled the region by conducting a nuclear test, produced no breakthrough. Previous sessions ended in failure.

"The six-party talks are a gradual, complex process," Jiang said, urging negotiators to be pragmatic.

After China's announcement, a Japanese official suggested the onus was on North Korea to forsake its nuclear ambitions.

"Our government will closely coordinate with countries concerned, including the United States and China, and strongly urge North Korea to take concrete action towards abandoning its nuclear programs," Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary Seiji Suzuki told reporters in Tokyo.

The announcement of a new round follows meetings in Berlin between chief US negotiator Christopher Hill and his North Korean counterpart, Kim Kye-gwan, raising hopes for progress this time.

"These contacts have laid the foundation for the six-party talks resuming as early as possible," Jiang said.

Hill told Reuters on Monday North Korea's commitment to give up its nuclear weapons was "strong" and Washington would not allow other issues, including a dispute over US financial sanctions, to undercut a nuclear deal.

Hill declined to reveal details of what might emerge from the Beijing talks but said "we have the basis of a good six-party meeting." He leaves this week-end for talks in Seoul and Tokyo.

The last session of six-party talks bogged down over Pyongyang's complaints about a US financial crackdown that led to Macau freezing $24 million in North Korean accounts and many other banks curtailing business with the North.

The US Treasury said in September 2005 that Macau's Banco Delta Asia had helped Pyongyang to launder earnings from counterfeit US dollars and illicit drugs.

On Tuesday, Daniel Glaser, US deputy assistant Treasury secretary for terrorist financing and financial crimes, was due to resume talks with North Korean officials in Beijing about untangling the financial dispute.

Russian negotiator Alexander Losyukov told RIA Novosti news agency that he would go to Beijing with "cautious optimism." "The agreement to hold a new round shows some of the participants have changed their position in a positive way," he said.

Reuters

WORLDBRIEFS

Russian nuke plant shut down

MOSCOW—An unspecified safety problem prompted an emergency shutdown at a Russian nuclear power plant, but no increase in radiation levels was reported, federal officials said Tuesday. The incident occurred at the third unit of the Balakovo plant around 11 ... Monday, the Emergency Situations Ministry said. The plant, which is located near the Volga River city of Saratov, about 700 km southeast of Moscow, has four 1,000-megawatt pressurized-water reactors. Nuclear regulators said the problem had been located and corrected Tuesday morning and could be switched back in the day. AP

35 killed in Nigeria road mishap

KANO, NIGERIA—A truck has crashed in northern Nigeria, killing at least 35 people and seriously injuring another 31, state media said Tuesday. Radio Nigeria National said the accident on Monday in Gagarawa, near the town of Potiskum, occurred when a bus and the truck loaded with cement as well as 15 people on top of the load ... said the bodies of the dead had been deposited at the government hospital in Potiskum where the injured were receiving treatment. Trucks are a popular way of getting around for people in the region who want to avoid paying bus fares. AFP

Another bird flu case hits Japan

TOKYO—Another suspected outbreak of bird flu has hit southern Japan, a news report said Tuesday, amid growing concerns about a string of cases at the country's poultry farms. The latest outbreak occurred in the southwestern prefecture of Miyazaki, which saw two separate bird flu cases earlier this month, Kyodo News agency said, citing unidentified government officials. Officials were separately trying to determine whether the virus that killed dozens of chickens in the western prefecture of Okayama was the deadly H5N1 variety. The H5N1 was pinpointed in the earlier Miyazaki outbreaks, which forced the slaughter of thousands of chickens in the region. AFP

Court rejects compensation suit

TOKYO—A court rejected a compensation suit filed against the Japanese government by 40 Japanese who were abandoned in China as children after Tokyo's defeat in World War II, officials said Tuesday. The Tokyo District Court rejected demands for financial compensation for the displaced Japanese, according to a court official who refused to be named, citing protocol. The plaintiffs said the government was responsible for the decades-long delay in their return to Japan and for failing to provide adequate support when they came back. The plaintiffs were seeking 33 million yen ($273,000) each in compensation, according to Kyodo News agency. AFP

Hubble's camera crippled

WASHINGTON—THE HUBBLE Space Telescope's main and most powerful camera was crippled by an electrical short-circuit, losing two-thirds of its capacity, NASA officials said Monday.

The Advanced Camera for Surveys, or ACS, was installed in 2002 when US astronauts made their last repair and maintenance mission to the orbiting telescope.

"We believe that the wide field channel and high resolution channel on the ACS instrument are no longer available to us," said Preston Burch, the Hubble program manager.

"Obviously we are very disappointed by the latest event because of the popularity of ACS among astronomers. The telescope is a very robust facility and still has significant science capability."

Burch blamed the failure on an electrical short that "did not impact ACS's primary electronic" system.

Orbiting 575 kilometers above the Earth, the 16-year-old Hubble has enabled scientists to better measure the age and origins of the universe, observe distant supernovas, and identify and study bodies in and outside the solar system. AFP

Study says Parkinson's disease to rise sharply, particularly in Asia

WASHINGTON—THE NUMBER of people affected by the debilitating nervous system disease Parkinson's will double over 25 years in the world's largest countries, with the biggest growth in Asia, scientists said in a new report.

A team lead by University of Rochester (New York) neurologist Ray Dorsey said that by 2030 the population suffering Parkinson's in the 15 largest countries will grow to 8.7 million, from 4.1 million currently.

The study, published in the Jan. 30 edition of Neurology, said the key factor is the growth of Parkinson's is aging populations.

The fastest growth of the disease will be in developing Asia, with an estimated five million people suffering from Parkinson's in China alone by 2030.

"The bulk of the growth in Parkinson's disease in the next 25 years will not be in the United States and Europe but in other places, mainly China, where Parkinson's may not be viewed as a major public health problem," said Dorsey.

"Moreover, this growth will occur in societies where there is very limited infrastructure in place to diagnose individuals, much less address their medical needs or the societal impact," he said in a statement.

The disease, in which the central nervous system degenerates, rises in frequency among people over 65.

Dorsey said the increase will place huge burdens on health care systems.

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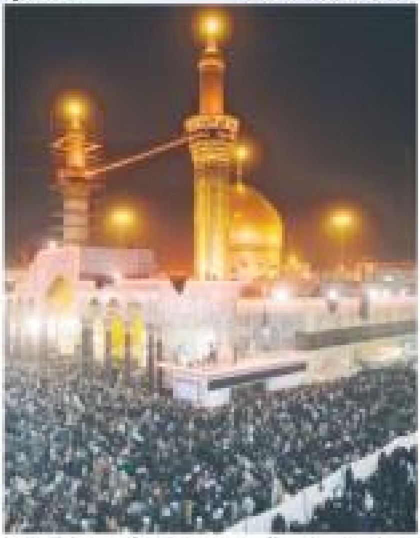


ISUZU CHRISTMAS THREE WINNERS!

The WORLD

Deadly bomb blasts mar Shiites' rituals

BAGHDAD—A BOMB LEFT IN A GARBAGE CAN struck Shiites during ceremonies marking Ashoura on Tuesday in a Kurdish city near the Iranian border, killing at least 13 people and wounding 39, police said.



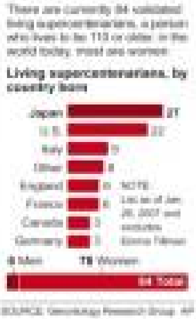
War casualty total jumps, later revised

Rival Palestinian factions forge ceasefire deal



Europe resists US on curbing ties with Iran

114-year-old Japanese becomes world's oldest person







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SPORTS



SBP to BAP: Don't be a hindrance

Boycott shows who's against unification, says Eala; PBA rescinds MOA

THE SAMAHANG BASKETBOL NG PILIPINAS (SBP) APPEALED to the Basketball Association of the Philippines (BAP) to stop being a "hindrance to the unity efforts" currently in motion and join the congress aimed at unifying all basketball stakeholders.

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Worried HBO skips Pacquiao-Chi showdown coverage

SMB, TNT seek 3-1 leads

Beermen will wear new gameface vs Barako–Chot



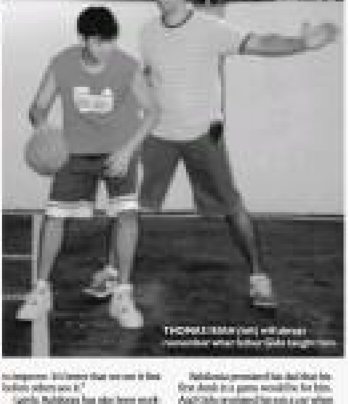
TORN TO SHREDS THE last time up and a 1-2 deficit staring him in the eyes, Yeng Guiao is looking at his Talk 'N Text Philippine Cup semifinal series with San Miguel in the proper perspective.

Officials urge NSA's: Raise your own funds

Thais cut RP pool's SEAG gold chances

THOMAS ISIAH BABILONIA

A rising son vows to keep his end of the bargain



Chess probers believe some players guilty of game fixing

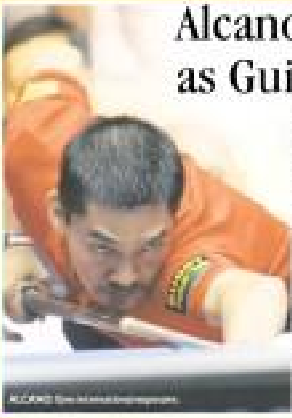
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Alcano signs contract as Guinness endorser



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KIA ON A NATIONWIDE DEALER NETWORK EXPANSION



Boutique outlets rise in key cities and provinces.

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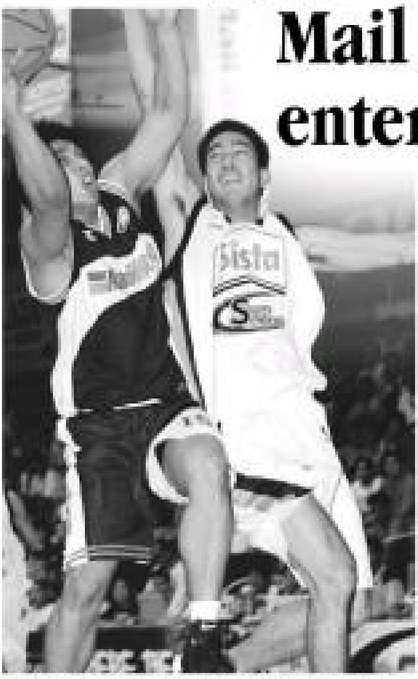




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Baguio hosts Adidas KOTR



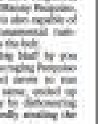
'Pacquiao is not a robber'

BARE EYE



NBC renews partnership with Sulpicio Lines

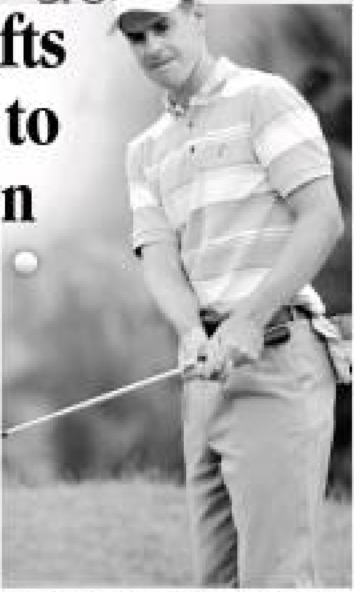

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Bahrain International Circuit countdown on

Tall Aussie lifts Wack Wack I to pro-am crown



Taekwondo meet lures 1,000 jins

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GCAP derby features 65 fights today



JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE:

RP team rules international paintball league tournament



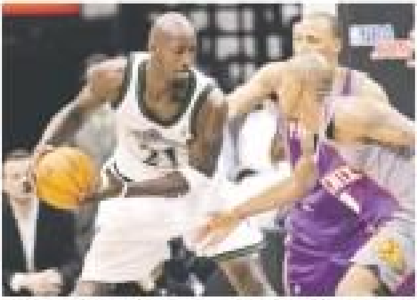
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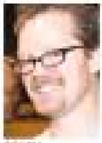
Garnett helps Wolves snap hot Suns streak



De la Hoya eyes trainer Roach for sellout bout vs Mayweather

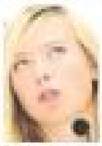


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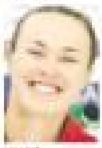


ROACH

Vinci, Ivanovic advance at Pan Pacific tourney



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SBP to BAP. . .



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Deed of sale to be signed today

THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND HONG KONG-based First Pacific Co. Ltd. will finally sign today the deed of sale for an indirect 6-percent stake in Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. (PLDT).





THE YARIS, to be made available in March, is Toyota's "strategic model"

TMPC seen expanding product lines this year

Standards for halal products readied

Trade department organizing group to craft the guidelines

Purefoods seeks bigger market for halal brands

Mindanao eyes Indon partners for tourism ventures

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WB readies $11-M loan to help BIR

THE WORLD BANK IS SET TO APPROVE an additional $11 million loan to help the Bureau of Internal Revenue shore up its tax collection.

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Share prices rise on approval of '07 budget

SHARE PRICES CLOSED 0.68 PERCENT higher yesterday as investors welcomed the Senate's approval of the budget bill for 2007, dealers said.

The passage of the bill will now allow the government to spend more on infrastructure, [illegible]

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Manila Mining gets nod to explore Surigao site

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Female grads make good in business, study says

Let's Go, GE Money Bank survey shows one of two succeed on first attempt

Gov't workers oppose Peza role in Clark

Rate of oversubscribed 3-yr bond down to 5.4%

Sale of PTIC shares to PLDT seen to boost gov't standing



Go public, IC chief urges insurance firms

Gov't seeks to continue subsidy of hybrid rice seeds until 2010

Petron aims to secure fuel blends from state firm

Microsoft, Nortel forge deal for unified communications

MOTORING

Enough hype! It's time to drive the new X5

Text and photos by Tessa R. Salazar

ON PAPER, BMW CLAIMS that its updated V8 gasoline engine has increased output by 11 percent over the former model, while fuel consumption has been kept down by 5 percent. The reduced fuel consumption is also seen in the new X5 3.0si straight-six gasoline engine, which is even claimed to be 14 percent more fuel efficient than its predecessor.



THIS GPS provides a wide angle view of the rear end when backing up.



READING about this is not nearly half as fun as testing it yourself.

Run-flat technology

Navigation system



WELL-TRAVELED SAV

The new Strada

MY DRIFT



Andre Palma

Improved acceleration

Marked styling



STRADA

Forester XT: Hotrod Crossover SUV

ON THE ROAD



Aida Sevilla-Mendoza

Symmetrical AWD

Lurking



SUBARU'S fully-level WRX 2.5-liter turbo Boxer engine powers the Forester.

Turbo Boxer engine

Space



SIMPLE rotary dials and analog gauges in the Forester's cockpit.



EVEN with the rear seat up, plenty of room in the cargo bay.

Safety

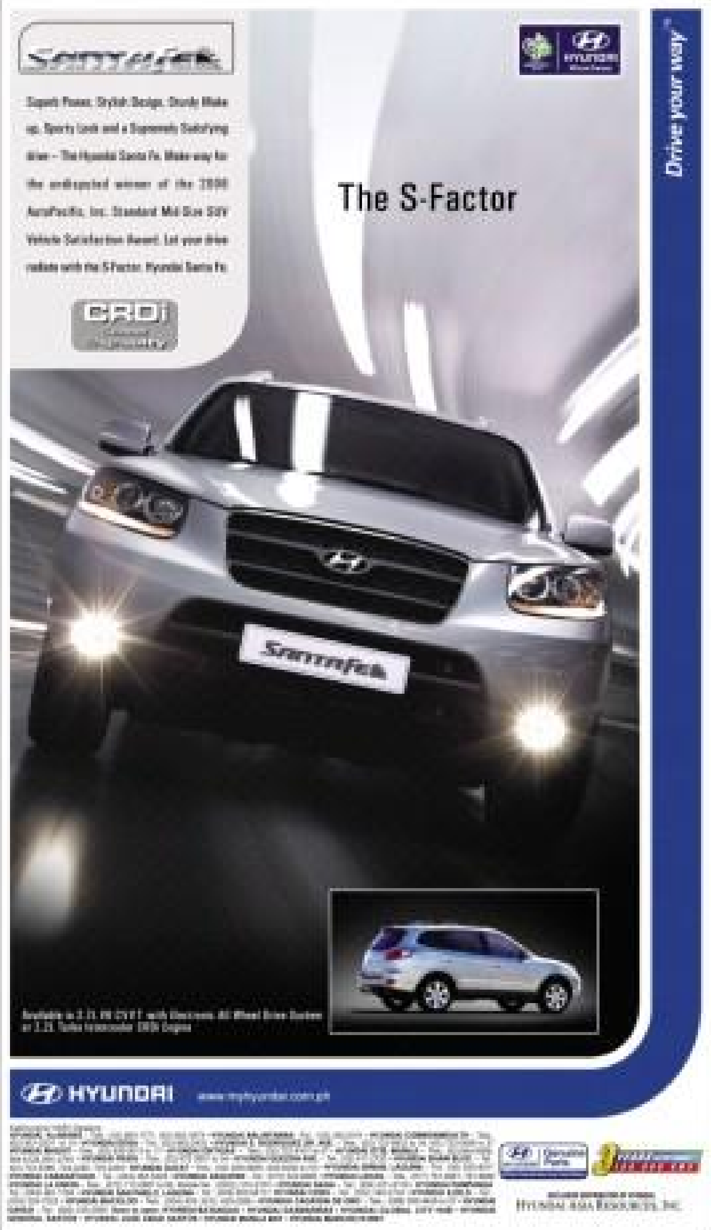


Business

Jan. inflation seen at 3.9-4.6%

By [illegible]

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HARI AWARDS RECOGNITION TO NEW HYUNDAI ELITE DEALERS

Many are called but few are chosen. This saying goes the same with how the Korean car manufacturer singles out the dealers all over the world who rightfully deserve to bear the brand logo and its famous finish. And Hyundai Asia Resources, Inc. (HARI), Hyundai cars exclusive local distributor, is in the forefront in determining which among its 33 dealers nationwide are worthy to be called the Hyundai Elite.

During the recently held Dealer of the Year Awards (DOYA), Hyundai Motor Co., through Hyundai Asia Resources, Inc., granted recognition to the new local dealers who passed Hyundai's highest standards, and were thus awarded the prestigious Hyundai Elite title. The dealers awarded were: Hyundai Balintawak, Hyundai Cebu, Hyundai Pampanga, Hyundai Pasig, Hyundai Southern Mindanao (Davao), Hyundai Otis, and Hyundai Naga.

The Hyundai Elite is a high-status recognition conferred by Hyundai Motor Co. to dealers and distributors who have faithfully complied with the high-standards in customer management, facilities, parts and accessories, and after-sales service programmed by the mother company in its Global Satisfaction Index as part of its Dealer Enhancement Program or D.E.P.

The Hyundai Elite certification was first awarded in the Philippine dealership last August when HARI was named as the first Hyundai Elite distributor in the world. Moreover, three local dealers were also awarded as the first Hyundai Elite dealers in the world: Hyundai E. Rodriguez, Hyundai La Union, and Hyundai Makati.

These bring the number of certified Hyundai Elite dealers in the country to a total of 10. With HARI's sincere efforts to uphold Hyundai's quality innovations and service to the Filipinos, this number is expected to rise in no time.

LIFESTYLE
Editor Chato Garcellano-Rosales · Chief of Correspondents Pam Pastor


KNOWLEDGE Channel Foundation receives grant money from Samsung Digital Hope.


TONY Llanes, Atriev Foundation president

Power to the people

By Gabriel H. Mercado
Contributor

WHEN CAROL CRINCULTAN-Sara, training director and events manager of the Adaptive Technology for Rehabilitation, Integration and Empowerment of the Visually Impaired (Atriev), was offered to join the Samsung DigitAll Hope Grant Program in lieu of sponsorship for an October 2006 concert they were arranging, she didn't give it much thought. After all, only a few days were left before the deadline, and she was deeply involved in preparations for the concert.

Also, Atriev had tried but did not succeed in joining the Korean electronics giant's annual region-wide search for deserving nongovernment organizations to promote IT skills training to the youth and disabled in 2005.

But the people at Samsung continued to ask her, so Sara finally submitted a proposal a day before the deadline, detailing how the NGO she represented would use any funds it would win in a computer literacy program for the blind through a project called Attest (Adaptive Technology for Training, Empowering and Screen Context).

In it, she discussed how Atriev carries out five-month training programs in Metro Manila to prepare blind individuals for the use of computers either for post-secondary education or employment. Decided as well were a few of its remarkable products such as Julius Serrano, the first blind Computer Science graduate, and Dio Mike, Asia's first blind medical transcriptionist. Both were direct recipients of an Atriev education, and both of them would enjoy better options from there on and serve as beacons of hope for others who shared their disability.

"We were better prepared this time," said Sara. "We had a better presentation and our plans were more complete."

At around the same time, Knowledge Channel Foundation founder Rina Lopez-Bautista was also hard at work on a "Cable A School" program, the foundation's answer to the country's need to improve the quality of education and create an impact on the country's floundering educational system.

The foundation's unique program considered three components, namely "Programming," which was the acquisition and dubbing of 13 hours of instructional video programs based on Philippine grade school and high school Department of Education curricula; "Access," which allowed for the physical connection of public schools to the Knowledge Channel; and "Support Programs," which dealt with the production and distribution of the channel's Calendar and Teacher Guides, training seminar workshops and evaluation schemes.


JR FROM Atriev Foundation


SPENCER Shin, Bayad president and CEO

The Samsung DigitAll Hope Program is a way of giving back to communities

As a result of Bautista's untiring efforts, the Knowledge Channel is now being received in 1,000 schools in 37 provinces, and is a truly remarkable example of technology used in service of a distinct need.

Worthwhile efforts

Bautista and Crincultan's efforts, as well as the efforts of hundreds of their volunteers, eventually proved worthwhile. Recently, they stood on a podium at the Manila Peninsula Makati to receive checks of P2 million and P2.4 million grant grants, respectively, from Samsung vice president for marketing-consumer electronics Donghu Jang.

According to Jang, the Samsung DigitAll Hope Program is Samsung's way of "giving back" to the community that has been generous to them via the appreciation of their products.

"The Philippines is an important market," he explained. "In 2006 we experienced strong growth, and so [the DigitAll Hope Program] is our way of helping the community which has helped us as well."

Launched in 2003, DigitAll Hope is Samsung's single largest regional social program for Southeast Asia (Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam) and Australia. It dedicates funding toward projects that aim to bridge the digital divide. To date, over $US1.65 million in grant money to 28 organizations, benefiting over 100,000 youths and people living with disabilities, have been awarded.

In 2005, the program was the recipient of a Prism award for corporate and social responsibility efforts.

Although many NGOs join the program every year, both Atriev and 2005 awardee Bahi Tech, a Pandacan-based technological and vocational secondary high school represented by administrator Ms. Wilhelmina Martinez, agreed that preparation and coming up with a complete and comprehensive presentation was key to their winning the grant.

"It's important to give an idea of how many people are prepared to benefit from the grant," said Martinez. "You must be sure of the needs, and show how the money will be used from five to 10 years onwards."

Other considerations would include "Strong values orientation, where you show that a recipient was learning a skill not just earning a living for himself, but also for his family and community. You must also display organizational ability, sustainability and commitment. This is where NGOs with a previous track record will have an advantage."

Sara provided a clear example of the enormous benefits that winning the grant brings. "We usually aim for at least 120 direct beneficiaries [of our various projects] per year. This year we're aiming for 600."

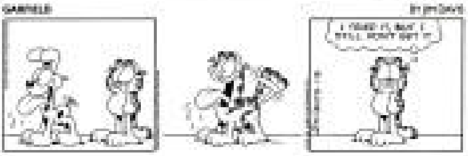

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PETER Wallace, Donghu Jang, Tony Llanes, Margie Moran-Floirendo and Rambom Aquino

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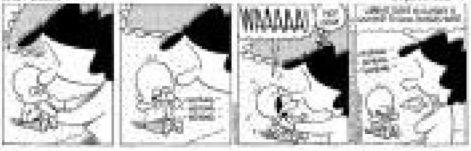
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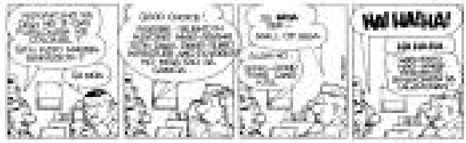
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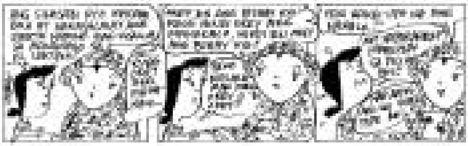
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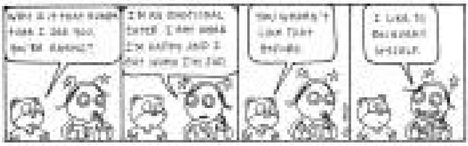
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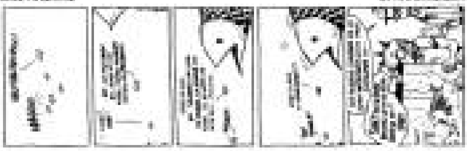
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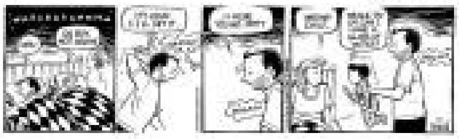




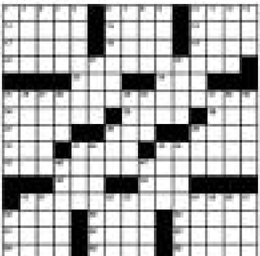
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Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU



MARDY and Marsio Juwono

Bye, brothers!

By Nina Mark M. Sabio
2BU! Correspondent

FAMILY PLAYED A big part in "The Amazing Race Asia" stint of Indonesian brothers Mardy and Marsio Juwono. Apart from being the only team with members who are related by blood, their own families also served as motivation for the brothers to do their best to win the competition.

Accepting . . .

From page C1

Be a part of 2BU! and Dove's Self-Esteem Chronicles



Accepting myself, warts and all

THERE'S A CERTAIN TYPE OF pretty little kid that amuses comments from total strangers. This little girl makes them say things like, "Your daughter is going to be a heartbreaker someday!" to the doting mother; or at least reduces adults to cooing at the kid.



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Unrealistic expectations

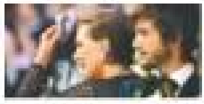
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ENTERTAINMENT

Editor Emmie G. Velarde







GROUP HUG for "Little Miss Sunshine" . . .



AND I'M TELLING YOU . . . Jennifer Hudson . . . Jamie Foxx . . .

Guild wins boost Oscar bets



HELEN Mirren, left, accepts her award from Jeremy Irons.

LOS ANGELES—QUIRKY COMedy "Little Miss Sunshine" won the top prize at the Screen Actors Guild Awards on Sunday, giving the underdog film about a family of losers a big boost in the Oscars race on Feb. 25.

Forest Whitaker and Helen Mirren cemented their Oscar hopes by winning SAG's Best Actor and Actress awards for their uncanny performances of world figures.

Actors make up the largest single voting group at the Oscars. [illegible] "Brokeback Mountain."

Whitaker won for his portrayal of Uganda's brutal dictator Idi Amin in "The Last King of Scotland"; Mirren, for her role as Britain's Queen Elizabeth II in "The Queen."

Unexpected

The naming of "Little Miss Sunshine" as Best Ensemble Cast Performance seemed to come as a shock to the cast. [illegible]

The film earlier won the Producers Guild, too, but it faces tough rivals for Oscar Best Picture, including Martin Scorsese's "The De-

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4 A GOOD YEAR	4 A GOOD YEAR
5 FEAST	5 SPIRIT TRAP
6 GRIFFIN & PHOENIX / AGENT 844	6 GRIFFIN AND PHOENIX

ROUNDUP

Writing workshop

Writer-director Jose Javier Reyes announces the launching of Imagine Nation, a media workshop center for aspiring and professional writers and film and television practitioners.

Reyes will personally conduct the sessions limited to 15 participants.

The initial courses are Basic Television Writing and Basic Screenwriting.

Applicants are required to submit their bio-data, two ID photos and a sample of their writing in English or Filipino not exceeding two pages.

Call 412-1469, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wanted: Female stars

Production 56, Rhoyo J. de los Reyes' production house and talent company, is looking for talented and good-looking female performers 14-18 years old—either solo, duo or group.

Applicants may send their bio data, photos (close-up and full body, plus group photos for group applicants) and demo CDs to Unit 405 Pines Mansion Condominium, 2 Zamboanga St., Brgy. Narang Kalabaw, Quezon City or via e-mail at production56@yahoo.com.

Call 372-4505 or 411-5815.

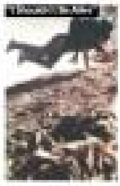
Movie greats

The Movie Workers Welfare Foundation (Mowelfund) presents a grand production to pay tribute to Filipino movie greats.

Slated on Feb. 20 at the Aliw Theater, the tribute will honor stars who have made tremendous contribution to the Filipino movie industry.

To be honored are National Artist Don Jose Nepomuceno, National Artist Atang de la Rama, legendary actors Rogelio de la Rosa and Carmen Rosales and Rosa del Rosario.

National Artist for Film Fernando Poe Jr., the Dolphy, and Nestor de Villa, comedy couples and former President Joseph Estrada will also be honored.

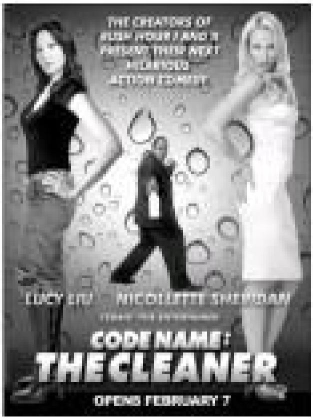


Survival stories

The series "I Shouldn't Be Alive" enters its second season on Discovery Channel, showcasing the world's incredible stories of survival.

The following new episodes air at 10 p.m.: "Frozen at 20,000 Feet," Feb. 12; "Trapped Under The Ice," Feb. 19; "Lost in The Heart of Borneo," Feb. 26; "Stuck in the Pillars," March 5; "Over Ice Ranges," March 12; "Nightmare Canyon," March 19.













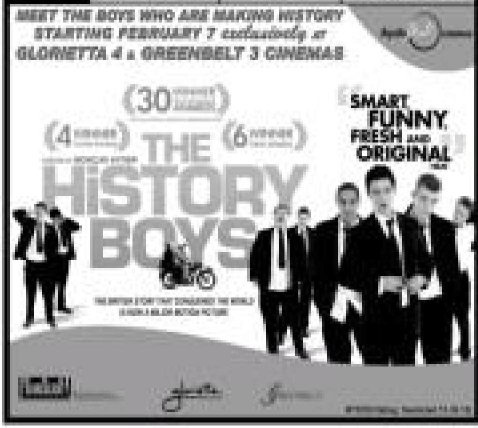
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AT THE CINEMAS

Cinema	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
G1	APOCALYPTO	NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM	BLOOD & CHOCOLATE	[illegible]			
G4	CHARLOTTE'S WEB	BABEL	APOCALYPTO	[illegible]	STRANGER THAN FICTION	NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM	BLOOD & CHOCOLATE
GB1	APOCALYPTO	NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM					
GB3	NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM	APOCALYPTO	[illegible]	BABEL	CHARLOTTE'S WEB		
ATC	APOCALYPTO	NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM	CHARLOTTE'S WEB	BLOOD & CHOCOLATE	BABEL		
ACC	APOCALYPTO	CHARLOTTE'S WEB	NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM	[illegible]			
M2	APOCALYPTO	BLOOD & CHOCOLATE	CHARLOTTE'S WEB	[illegible]	NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM		

At the Activity Center

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ANGELINA JOLIE'S MOM DIES IN LA

LOS ANGELES—Marcheline Bertrand, actress and mother of Angelina Jolie, has died of cancer, her daughter said Sunday (Monday in Manila). Bertrand died Saturday afternoon at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center after a battle with cancer that lasted more than seven years, Jolie said in a statement. Her age was not provided. Jolie, Brad Pitt and her older brother, James Haven, were at the hospital Saturday. Bertrand, who had small roles in the movies "Lookin' to Get Out" in 1982 and "The Man Who Loved Women" in 1983, raised Jolie and Haven after divorcing their father, Oscar-winning actor Jon Voight, when Jolie was a toddler. A private funeral was planned.

Sibling acts in show business

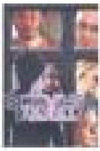
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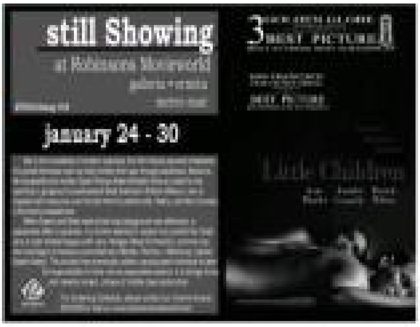
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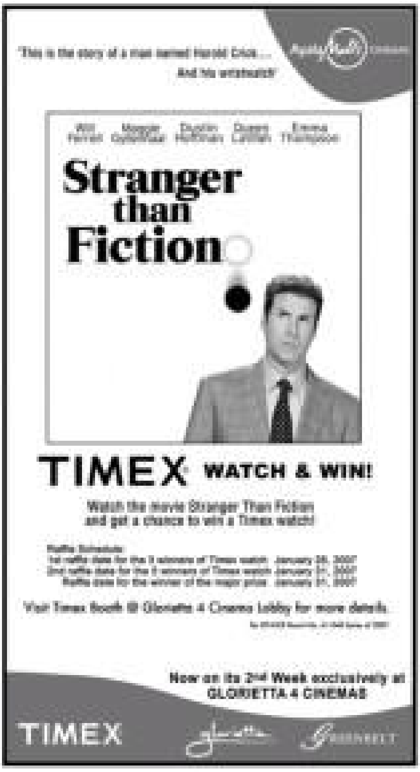
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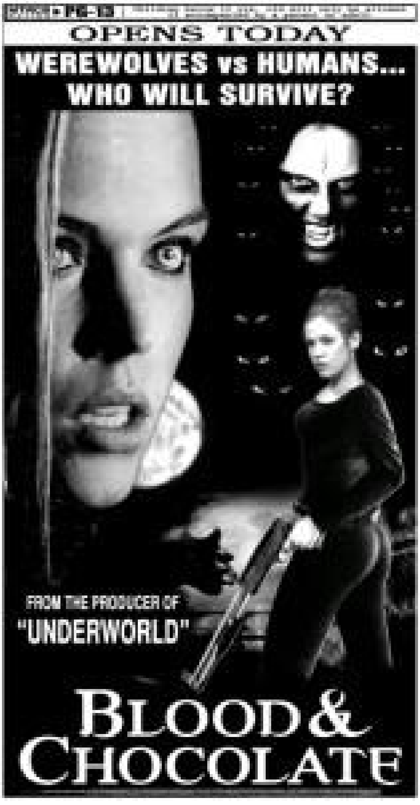
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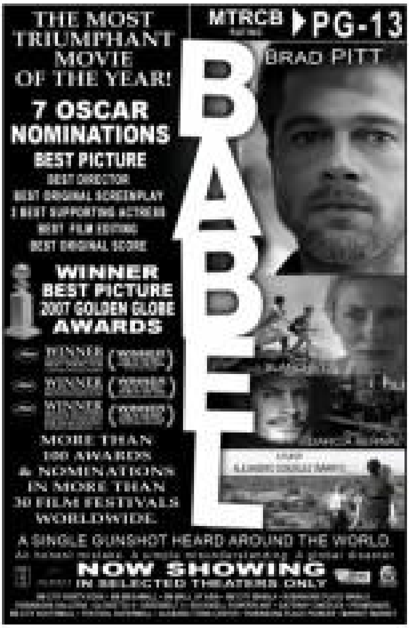


Guild wins boost …





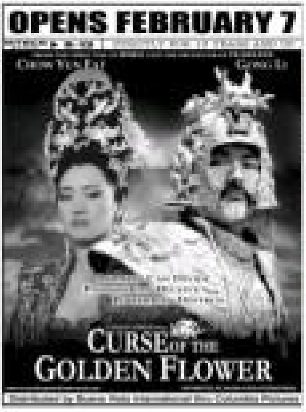


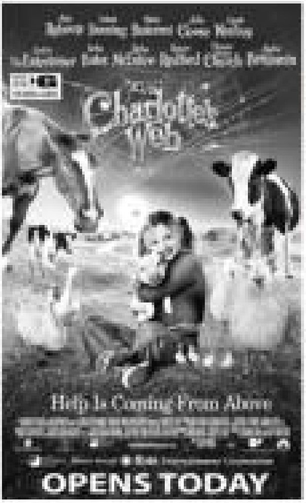


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